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MAY numbers of *Domestic Monthly* now on sale at Webster's. Call for it.

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FOR giving strength and toning up the system there is nothing like the Gold Medal Sarsaparilla.

DOG LOST—Black and tan dog, wearing collar, not marked, secured by small padlock. Suitable reward for return to 5 Pearl street.

L. P. GLEASON & Co. are showing pure silk, taffeta, lisle thread and other fine spring goods. Also kid gloves in new shades.

MRS. STANISH, Rialto building, State street, has a fine line of spring millinery in latest styles. Prices low and satisfaction guaranteed.

THE Misses Fisk have at their rooms, 27 State street, a fine assortment of millinery, and are receiving new goods every few days. Call and see.

Do not forget that the WATCHMAN office has now one of the best job printing equipments in the state. Printing of every kind at reasonable prices.

THE Ladies' Library Guild offer a rare treat at the opera-house for May 9th and 10th. Particulars of the entertainment will be given next week.

BARNARD, SUMNER & Co., Worcester, Mass., advertise a variety of seasonable wares in this issue of the WATCHMAN. See advertisement on fifth page.

WHY should the spirit of mortal be proud? Because he can buy a solid ash chamber set of ten pieces for \$20 at Paine's Furniture Company, 48 Canal street, Boston.

BASE BALL and TENNIS GOODS—All kinds of base ball and tennis goods sent by mail or express at regular prices. Send for price-list. H. L. Averill, Barre, Vt.

L. P. GLEASON & Co. are showing this week new Pompadour muslins, primrose cloths, satines, chullies, fine gingham, and other spring and summer dress goods.

SECOND-HAND TYPE FOR SALE—Thirty fonts of display job type in good condition. For specimen sheet and prices address Watchman Publishing Company, Montpelier, Vt.

DR. ALFRED CLARK, dental surgeon, will be at his office in Montpelier till June 15 to do dental work for any who may require his services. Dr. Clark still extracts teeth without pain.

WANTED—More men to sell our fruit and ornamental stock. We can give you a good paying situation at once. Address for terms, E. B. Richardson & Co., Nurserymen, Geneva, N. Y.

TO LUMBERMEN—Wanted, to contract for the cutting of a large quantity of hemlock timber and peeling the bark, one mile from Ridley Station. Inquire of Luther Davis at Waterbury, or Arthur Ropes at Montpelier.

FIFTY THOUSAND TREES for sale at Fair Mount this spring. Everybody invited to call and see for themselves and take advantage of the marked-down prices at the nursery. E. E. Andrews, proprietor, Berlin, Vt.

DRY PRESS FOR SALE—Owing to some changes in our equipment, we have a dry press for which we have no present use. Size of bed, 20x33 inches. We will sell at a bargain. Watchman Publishing Company, Montpelier, Vt.

HARVEY L. GALLISON picked up a sum of money on the street recently. The owner can have the same by calling on Mr. Gallison at the store of Fred Blanchard, proving his claim to the money and paying for this advertisement.

HATS can be made to suit people from orders sent by mail. Send to Mrs. P. A. Standish, Montpelier, your age, complexion, color of hair and eyes, the price you wish to pay, with such preferences as you may have, and she will guarantee satisfaction.

THERE are many veterans who have claims for pensions pending that would do well to consult James E. Curran, who has had over six years' experience as a special examiner and is thoroughly familiar with all the laws and rulings of the departments. He makes

increase and rejected claims a specialty. Advice free.

SAFETY BICYCLES \$75 and \$90, at Webster's.

ORDERS by mail for job printing promptly filled at the WATCHMAN office.

A. D. FARWELL has just returned from New York and Boston with the most complete stock of clothing and gentlemen's furnishings ever shown by him.

L. P. GLEASON & Co. have a complete line of ONYX BLACK ROSE for ladies and children. These goods will not stain the feet and remain a perfect black after repeated washings.

PEOPLE looking for refrigerators should go to O. N. Cross, the manufacturer of the Greeley. They will pay only one profit and get a refrigerator that has no equal and is good for thirty-five years. He has a nice line of them at No. 56 East State street.

CLOSE of the season at the Blanchard Opera-house. Newton Beers Company, in "Lost in London," will give an entertainment at the Blanchard Opera-house, Montpelier, Tuesday evening, May 14, and at the Barre opera-house Monday evening, May 13.

PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY NOTICE.—LYCOMING COUNTY, PENN., April 26, 1889.—O. W. Ingersoll, Esq.: DEAR SIR—I have used your paint on house and barns, and it is giving good satisfaction. Fraternally yours, S. M. Staddon. [See advertisement of Patrons' Paint Works.—Editor.]

WHITE'S COMBINATION WASHING and WRINGING-MACHINE.—It washes everything, from a lace collar to the coarsest material. Washes better than can be done by hand, and in one-third the time and with one-quarter the labor. A great success. A few salesmen wanted. Address C. L. Roberts, general agent, Montpelier, Vt.

HOUSE-CLEANING time is here, and in the general picking-up do not delay, but send your magazines, papers, music, etc., to the Montpelier Book-binders of M. W. Wheelock and have them returned to you neatly bound in any style you wish, from the cheapest pamphlet to the finest art publications, in full Turkey morocco with gilt edges, if desired. Missing numbers and parts supplied. Send all orders or inquire as above.

THE NEW ENGLAND MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY issues life-endowment policies at the old life-rate premium. Annual cash distributions are paid upon all policies. Every policy has insured thereon the cash-surrender and paid-up insurance values to which the insured is entitled by the Massachusetts statute. Pamphlets, rates and values for any age sent on application to James E. Curran, Montpelier, general agent for Vermont.

HORACE GREELLY once said: "There are one hundred men who know how to get money where there is one that knows how to take good care of it." The securities offered by the Pierre, Dakota, Savings Bank, through A. O. Cummings, its vice-president, are one of the safe ways to invest money at a fair rate of interest and attended with the minimum care and perplexity. Full particulars by calling on or addressing Peck & Cummins, Montpelier, Vt.

FOR SALE.—An excellent farm is offered for sale in Williamstown, Vt., about two miles from the village, comprising two hundred forty acres of land in a good state of cultivation, with suitable buildings thereon. Will keep a large stock of cattle and a team. It has a very fine sugar orchard of some fifteen hundred to two thousand maples. This farm is well watered, has good pasturage, etc. It will be sold to correspond with the times. For further information apply to D. W. Cummings, Montpelier, Vt.

I GIVE HONOR to WHOM IT IS DUE.—"Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy of Rondout, N. Y., cured me of Bright's disease and gravel. Four of the best physicians had failed to relieve me. I have recommended it to scores of people with like success, and know it will cure all who try it. It made a strong, vigorous woman of me."—Mrs. E. P. Miner, Burg Hill, O. If your druggist does not keep the medicine, address the proprietor, Rondout, N. Y. One dollar; six for five dollars. Dr. D. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

LEGALITY OF MUNICIPAL BONDS.—S. A. Keen & Co., Chicago, with New York office at 115 Broadway, have recently published a new and revised edition of their "Digest of Laws" governing the issue of municipal bonds, which can not fail to be of interest and value to investors, including savings banks, insurance companies, estates and individuals. It will also be valuable to authorities of states, counties, cities, school districts, etc., who contemplate issuing bonds. This book will be more valuable from the fact that Messrs. S. A. Keen & Co. have had more than twenty-five years' experience as bankers and dealers in investment securities.

TO MERCHANTS, BUTCHERS AND PRODUCE DEALERS.—Cartell S. Page, the Hyde Park, Vt., calf-skin dealer, wishes to arrange with some trader or butcher in each village to collect for him the calf-skins taken off in that vicinity. Mr. Page furnishes money, without charge for interest, to all who can give good guaranty that the money will not be diverted or misappropriated. The *Shoe & Leather Reporter*, New York, and *Shoe & Leather Review*, Chicago, the leading trade papers in the United States in the hide line, have sent their representatives to investigate Mr. Page's business, and after a thorough examination and comparison the *Reporter* gives him this endorsement: "We believe that in extent of light-weight raw material collected and carried, Mr. Page holds the lead of any competitor and that his present stock is the largest held by any house in this country." And the *Review* says: "After a most thorough investigation of Mr. Page's business, as compared with others in the same line, we have become fully satisfied that in his specialty, light-weight stock, he is unquestionably the largest dealer in this country, while in superiority of quality he is confessedly at the head." Send Mr. Page your address and ask for terms to buyers, naming this paper.

THE FARMERS' TRUST COMPANY.—This company was incorporated in 1885 and has

been in active business since. It has a paid-up capital of fifty thousand dollars and a special guarantee fund accumulated which amounts at this time to about twelve thousand dollars. While the control of the company is in the hands of well-known residents of Vermont, it relies exclusively on western security in the matter of investment, and makes no loan which the managers can not ascertain by personal investigation to be secured beyond all question. Safety has been the first consideration. With this end in view the company will guarantee the payment of six, and in many cases seven, per cent interest to purchasers of its securities, believing that this is all that the safest line of investments and conservative management will warrant. The Farmers' Trust Company has negotiated about six hundred loans, secured on real estate. In each case investors have received their interest promptly and the principal at maturity. The company has acquired no land by foreclosure. These are facts which investors are invited to investigate. Loans are constantly on hand from two hundred dollars and upwards and are for sale at the office in Montpelier, Vt. Correspond with F. A. Dwinell, president, or George W. Wing, treasurer.

Montpelier and Vicinity.

MRS. WILLIAM WOODBURY is sick at the Pavilion.

HENRY YATTA, the barber, took a vacation last week.

WILL HATHAWAY and George Scribner have the mumps.

The local members of the bar are organizing a baseball team.

CARL BANCROFT began work in the First National Bank Monday.

The stores were closed yesterday afternoon by mutual agreement.

L. BART CROSS was confined to the house by sickness the first of the week.

REV. J. O. SHEPHERD moved his family last week to his new charge at Cabot.

An offering for the missions of the diocese will be taken next Sunday at Christ church.

FRED E. SPALDING has gone to Fond-du-Lac, Wis., to accept a position in a land office.

FLORENCE MORROW, daughter of J. V. Morrow, is dangerously sick with gastric fever.

THE Sunday-school board of Trinity church meets Thursday evening in the vestry.

REV. L. M. HARDY, principal of Bishop Hopkins Hall, Burlington, was in town Friday.

F. A. STANDISH went to "Niggerhead pond" Monday for a two days' fishing excursion.

MR. AND MRS. SAMUEL YOUNG of Toledo, Ohio, have been visiting Mr. Young's sister, Mrs. N. S. Sprague.

A. W. FERRIS' boat has been launched on Berlin pond, and the season auspiciously opened at that summer resort.

HARVEY WELCH has a new bicycle and is working the animal so hard that the tires are already getting threadbare.

MOUNT ZION COMMANDERY, Knights Templar, has voted to unite with Brooks Post in the observance of Memorial day.

THERE will be religious services in the school-house in the Benjamin district, Berlin, next Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.

EIGHTEEN of the young men celebrated yesterday by a ball game on the Hill, in the presence of an enraptured throng of spectators.

THERE will be a business meeting of the Ladies' Sewing Society of Christ church at the rectory Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock.

H. W. KEMP will sing in Herbert Gleason's place in the male quartet at the Church of the Messiah next Sunday and thereafter.

RIGHT REV. W. H. A. BISKELL, bishop of the diocese, has returned to his home in Burlington from his winter sojourn at Pass Christian, Miss.

THE Woman's Foreign Missionary Society connected with Trinity church meets Friday evening at eight o'clock, with Miss L. W. Gurnsey.

TRINITY SOCIETY will give a reception to Rev. A. J. Hough, the newly-appointed pastor, this evening at half-past seven o'clock in the church parlors.

FRANK BARNES has returned from his canvassing tour and has begun work again in the hardware store of Fuller & Son. He left his father in Philadelphia.

C. E. WILSON and Horace Marvin returned Friday from their spring vacation trip to Muncie, Ind., where they are reported to have invested all their surplus.

THE majority of the members of the band and militia were insured before starting for New York by the Standard Accident Insurance Company.

REV. H. HOLDEN of Amherst, Mass., a native of Middlesex, occupied the pulpit at the Church of the Messiah last Sunday, preaching two brilliant discourses.

REV. CHARLES A. ALLEN of New Orleans, twenty years ago the pastor of the Church of the Messiah, is to preach in that church next Sunday morning and evening.

Mrs. Nancy Snow, who has been stopping at Trinity church, will be far less of a Baldwin street residence this week.

J. G. WING has recently been devoting his architectural talent to the construction of a boat which he will endeavor to navigate on Greensboro pond this summer.

MRS. JOHN SNOW died Saturday morning, at the home of her sister, Mrs. E. H. Skinner, on State street. Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon by Rev. G. W. Gallagher.

THERE were interesting literary and musical exercises by the pupils of the grammar school at the Union school-house, yesterday forenoon, in commemoration of Washington's inauguration.

The band gave an excellent concert at the opera-house, Saturday evening, to a fair house. The proceeds amounted to about \$150. The concert at Barre, Friday evening, was poorly attended.

A UNION service of thanksgiving was held at Trinity church yesterday morning at nine o'clock, in accordance with the governor's proclamation calling for the observance of the Washington centennial.

MRS. J. MONROE POLAK from Chicago is stopping at the Riverside. She is removing her goods from her house, which was purchased recently by J. C. Houghton. Charles S. Reed, her nephew, came with her.

REV. GEORGE F. TOWNSEND of Cambridgeport, who occupied Bethany pulpit several weeks since, has accepted the call of the Plymouth church in Seattle, W. T. His intention is to leave about the 1st of June.

A STATED convocation of Mt. Zion Commandery will be held Friday evening, May 31, to act on the invitation from the grand commander to attend the annual convocation of the grand commandery at Burlington June 1.

MOUNT ZION COMMANDERY will attend a special service at Christ church Sunday June 2, at three o'clock in the afternoon. The sermon will be preached by Rev. Hough.

and F. Hill. The Knights will assemble at the asylum at two o'clock.

MRS. D. K. STEVENS, sister of Mrs. J. T. Sabin, and daughter, Ruth, left Tuesday evening for Tacoma, Washington Territory, to join her husband, who has decided to locate in that place as a member of the law firm of Stiles & Stevens.

AMONG those who are attending the Washington celebration in New York city are Secretary of State C. W. Porter and wife, Judge Hiram Carleton, General P. P. Pitkin, J. A. DeRoer, J. W. F. Washburn, Henry W. C. Berry and wife, James H. Green, George Morse and John and Herbert Huse.

REV. A. J. HOUGH has removed his family from Bradford and taken possession of the Methodist parsonage. Mr. Hough preached his first sermon at Trinity church Sunday, and his last congregation, upon St. Paul's day, was the largest since he was settled here. He is an eloquent and forcible speaker, and his first appearance created a most favorable impression.

AT nine o'clock Tuesday morning mass was celebrated at a special service of thanksgiving held at St. Augustine church in observance of the Washington centennial. The Society of St. Jean Baptiste and the Young Men's Catholic Benevolent Association attended in a body. An eloquent discourse, appropriate to the occasion, was delivered by Rev. Father O'Sullivan.

MISS NANCY R. LAUGHEY, aged forty-nine years and twenty-four days, died Thursday morning, of inflammation of the stomach, after a long illness. The funeral was conducted at the house of Rev. J. O. Sherburn of Trinity church, of which Miss Laughey had been an active member. The sisters of the deceased, Mary E. Laughey of Montreal and Sarah S. Laughey of Philadelphia, were present.

EDWIN HENRIKSEN from Seminary Hill started Sunday to walk to Jones' Brook and when opposite the railroad shed concluded to disperse with his overcoat, on account of the heat, and concealed the garment in the shed, expecting to find it there. In this he was mistaken, for the overcoat, and the coat was missing, some one having evidently seen him hide it and removed it as soon as he left.

THE annual spring opening at Miss Meinecke's millinery rooms occurred Wednesday, May 1. The usual large number of ladies and gentlemen were tastefully adorned for the occasion with a profusion of beautiful flowers. Many novel and handsome styles were displayed, including suit hats and bonnets of every size, and plain ones for travel. The black lace hats were the most popular for general wear. The old Neapolitan braid has been revived and is trimmed daintily and prettily with lace and flowers.

FRANK H. BASCOM was the recipient of marked attention last week while stopping at the Adams house, Boston. He was favored with an invitation from his friends and brother Mason, Harry E. Dixey, to attend the Hollis street theater and witness the closing matinee of "Adonis," Saturday afternoon, with the exclusive use of a proscenium box for himself and friends.

HE was elected a director of the Union Electric Car Company of Boston. He is now on the top wave of success, and his friends congratulate him on this advancement.

A LARGE number of the local sports witnessed the ball game Saturday afternoon, on the Hill, between the Seminary and from Goddard Seminary, Barre. The Seminary's outbatted and outfielded their opponents at every point, and during the earlier part of the game acquired a lead, which the visitors were unable to overcome, although they gained steadily during the last three innings. The game was stopped in the first half of the ninth inning, on account of darkness, the score being Seminary twenty-one to Goddard eighteen in favor of the Seminary.

INQUIRY is made for the names of the members of the county board of education. They are as follows: Rev. Rev. L. L. Beeman; Berlin, Arthur L. Hewitt; Cabot, J. E. Lamson; Calais, A. N. Bliss; Duxbury, A. Lewis; Montpelier, J. B. Thompson; Marshfield, Edwin Pitkin; Middlesex, M. W. Miles; Montpelier, J. A. DeRoer; Montpelier, James Haylett; Northfield, W. S. H. Way for Christ church; Burlington, F. Fortney; Roxbury, H. Carl Ellis; Waitsfield, H. N. Bushnell; Warren, J. E. Eldredge; Waterbury, Rev. W. R. Davenport; Woodbury, W. E. Fisk; Worcester, H. A. Hancock.

MRS. OLIVER SARGENT had an unpleasant experience with a midnight prowler on night last week. She was awakened about twelve o'clock by hearing some one walking about the house, and went down into the sitting-room to reconnoitre. A man's face appeared at one of the windows, where Mrs. Sargent promptly smashed the pane of glass in his face and advised him to move on, or she would shoot. He withdrew from sight, but hovered around till about four o'clock, when Mrs. Sargent sent for Dr. Fortney, who ordered him to be removed to the asylum, and the unknown tramp wisely concluded that the time for departure had arrived, and accordingly dispersed himself.

THE semi-annual meeting of Trinity Christian Endeavor Society was held Sunday evening at the close of the prayer-meeting. The reports of the officers and committees showed the society to be in a most prosperous condition. During the past six months twenty active and twenty-five associate members have been admitted, three persons have been received by letter from other societies, two have been dismissed and six granted a leave of absence. The average attendance has been sixty-seven. Following is the newly-elected board of officers: President, M. F. Burrington; vice-president, Miss Standish; corresponding secretary, Miss Bullard; recording secretary, Miss Jacobs; treasurer, Miss Anna Streeter.

HON. WALTER E. HOWARD of Fair Haven was in town Monday, returning from the funeral of his father in Barre. In a long conversation with the editor of the *Watchman* he gave his opinion of the past session of the legislature. Mr. Howard gave it as his opinion that the old custom of adjourning promptly at Thanksgiving should be ignored in the future and the sessions extended for several months, or until all necessary legislation could be enacted without undue haste. This extension of time, he was convinced, would do away with much of the doughy, half-baked legislation that at times comes out of the legislature, and there would be far less opportunity to abuse the legislature, after adjournment, for its shiftness work. Mr. Howard's opinion is shared by others, but at the same time the general opinion seems to be that the legislature adjourns too soon. A little of such legislation goes a long way.

MR. GEORGE E. HOLDEN, not to be outdone by his late comrades in arms, arrayed himself in spotless apparel and started Monday morning on the special train for New York, to participate in the festivities of the centennial. Before his departure Mr. Holden was presented with fifteen dollars by an admirer of the pluck and determination shown by him in his recent military service, to assist him in celebrating. Previous to his departure Mr. Holden received a letter from the governor in response to his recent communication. His excellency said that when he signed the discharge he was unacquainted with all the circumstances of the case and supposed that the dismissal was made at Mr. Holden's request. He informed Mr. Holden that his letter had been referred to adjutant-general Peck, and assured him that he should receive discharge papers in due form and properly signed.

THE Montpelier military band and Company H, Capital Guard, started Monday

morning for New York city, leaving the Central Vermont station at 8:57 o'clock. The company went by the regular train to the Junction, where they were transferred to special cars for the troops. The band and militia have both been carefully drilled for some time past and their appearance yesterday in New York was undoubtedly a creditable one. Captain Clark gave the men out-door practice several days last week on the state-house grounds, and last Saturday afternoon they marched up on Seminary Hill, accompanied by the band, and were put through their paces. Just previous to their departure Monday morning the company went through a short drill in the armory, and the captain gave them a few instructions in regard to their conduct on the trip. Forty-three men went with Company H, and the band numbered forty musicians, plus drum-major F. T. Austin of Northfield. The troops remain to witness the civic procession to-day and will probably arrive here on their return Thursday evening.

THE projected Easter sale, under the direction of the ladies of Christ church, took place last Thursday, at the rectory. Four large tables were loaded with a variety of fancy articles tastefully arranged and designed to tempt the fancy of the unwary. These tables were presided over by Mrs. Clara Brainerd and Miss Carrie Ellis, Mrs. George Taplin and Mrs. O. D. Houghton, Mrs. H. B. Bixby and Mrs. C. H. Houghton. Mrs. A. G. Trulan and Miss Kate Kempton. The apron table was in charge of Mrs. J. E. Curran and Mrs. Henry Fifield and the store of bon-bons was dispensed by Miss Emily Ellis and Miss Helen Devor. Mrs. George E. Hunt and Mrs. Frank Adams presided at the door. The bountifully-laden supper tables were under the management of Mrs. Frank I. Puffer, Mrs. George E. Hunt, Mrs. Mark F. Lewis, Mr. G. B. Denny and Miss Taplin. The head waitresses were Misses Harrie Huse and Clara Adams, assisted by a corps of eight little girls, arrayed in white caps and aprons. Over a hundred employed the hospitality of the ladies, who feel amply repaid for their labors by the complete success of the sale. The net proceeds amounted to about \$150. Mrs. Hill was pleasantly surprised by a gift from the ladies of a choice etching executed by Mr. J. A. Davenport. The etching is set in a handsome bronze frame and represents the view looking up the Winooski from a point near Colonel Jewett's.

THE second production of "Little Lord Fauntleroy" by the company under the management of T. H. French attracted a large audience to the opera-house last evening. The company, with the exception of the Little Lord, was practically the same as the one which appeared here in February, and the performance of Monday evening was in many respects similar to that of three months ago. The failure of Little Wallie Edgington to reappear in the leading part was a disappointment to many, who had been captivated by his charming acting, and were convinced that no one else could do justice to the part. The role was, however, irreproachable little actor. The role was entrusted, Monday night, to Gertrude Homan, and it certainly fell into good hands, for although Gertrude can hardly compare with her predecessor, either in personal appearance or in an incarnation of the ideal Fauntleroy, or in simplicity of action, yet she is a wonderful little stage artist and there were many noticeable points of excellence in her rendering of the role. The balance of the cast was fully up to its previous high standard. Carl Haswin, as the Earl of Dorincourt; Frances Whitcroft, as Minna, and C. A. Locke, as Grocer Hobbs, were the favorites, and their presentation of the scenes was in every respect up to the mark. Certain portions of the play, particularly the closing scenes of the first and second acts, were less effective than formerly, owing to the absence of the orchestra.

MONTPELIER'S contribution to the party of Denison, Texas, boomers arrived Sunday morning. They are all of the opinion that Denison is the coming city of that region. Denison is the southern gateway to the Indian Territory. All the railroads from Texas to the territory pass through the city, and this fact alone is an assurance that the place will in time become a great business center. The party of New England visitors, which numbered one hundred twenty-seven, forty-one of that number being from Vermont, arrived at that time of the projected land Friday afternoon, April 19. They were met at the station by the mayor and a citizens' committee, and escorted in carriages to the exposition hall. There formal addresses of welcome were made by the mayor and others. After looking over the place the visitors organized the Denison Land Company, with a capital of \$600,000, \$200,000 of which was taken by citizens and the remainder by the visitors. The \$400,000, \$150,000 of which was the Vermont delegation, and about \$50,000 went to Montpelier. A real estate pool was then formed by the party, and \$175,000 was invested in building lots. After organizing and electing officers, an auction sale was held at the Denison hotel, at which 100 feet, belonging to the company, was held, none but members being allowed to purchase. Two hundred lots were sold at the company's appraisals, with premiums of \$110 per lot. The property purchased amounted to \$43,000. The property purchased by the company includes one thousand acres of land in and adjacent to the city, comprising some magnificent building sites. Much of the land is covered with a growth of live oaks. The company also purchased the horse-car line and is now changing it into a steam motor line, which will be extended through the company's property. Denison is a lively city of fifteen thousand inhabitants, and the rapidity of its growth may be seen from the fact that it is less than fifteen years since the first white person took up his residence there. It has grown to its present proportions on account of the rich tract of country around it. There will be established at once a large cotton factory, foundries, tanneries, a fruit and meat canning establishment and other manufacturing. The abundance of fruit, particularly peaches, in the locality makes it especially desirable site for canning establishments. The excursion party received invitations from Fort Worth and Dallas, Texas, to visit those towns, but was unable to accept. On the return trip the party stopped at Chertok and Fort Payne, and at the latter place parted company with Mr. Rice, the enterprising manager of the expedition.

THE seventeenth anniversary of Odd Fellowship in the United States was appropriately observed by Vermont Lodge No. 2, at Montpelier, last evening. There were present in addition to the members, with their wives and daughters, a large number of lady and gentleman friends of the order. The exercises were opened with music. The Wanderer's Return, by the male quartet, composed of F. W. Bancroft, H. S. Chapman, Dr. A. B. Bisbee and C. F. Lowe, followed with prayer by Rev. G. W. Gallagher. Next in order came music, "God is Love," by the quartet, and words of welcome by the pastor, Rev. A. J. Hough. The speaker was intimately acquainted with the aims and objects of the fraternity. Mr. Hough spoke of the \$47,000,000 expended by the order for benevolent purposes in this country during its seventy years of existence here, and of the \$3,000,000 used during the past year. He told of his experience as a Methodist minister and his reasons for coming to Odd Fellows. Were it not for Christianity there would never have been such an institution in existence, as the work in the lodge room is founded on the Bible and the Word of God is as familiar in its halls as without. Odd Fellowship teaches the fatherhood of God, and behind all its mysteries of light and shadow lies the heart of God. In regard to the old objection

to the "secrecy" of Odd Fellowship, Mr. Hough said, as an illustration in its favor, that every family had, or should have, a secret society in the home, for lost is the man whose wife goes about telling all she knows about him. The order, "Greeting of by Messrs. Bancroft and Bisbee, which was well rendered, was followed with a touching recitation by Miss Daisy Lane, entitled "Somebody's Mother." Rev. Mr. Hough then read two excellent poems, written by himself as poet laureate of the Grand Lodge of Vermont, entitled "The Three Links" and "The Good Samaritan," and the quartet sang "The Parting Cup." Mr. Hough's poems have been read before the Grand Lodge and published in book form, and their excellence is too well known to need comment. Rev. G. W. Gallagher related several anecdotes and spoke of the organization of Odd Fellowship in England, its institutions in the United States twenty years ago by Thomas Willey and his four comrades, and of his connection with the order in Nevada in 1880. The exercises of the evening, which were considered by many the most enjoyable of the institute, were held publicly in the hall, were closed with the benediction by Rev. Mr. Culver, presiding elder of the St. Albans district. The musical selections by the male quartet were particularly fine. The committee on arrangements desired to express its thanks to all who participated in the exercises, thereby assisting in making such a grand success of the observance.

THERE was a large gathering at the Seminary chapel on Tuesday evening of last week, to listen to the address by Bishop W. X. Ninde of Topeka, Kansas, who had presided at the session of the Vermont Conference, and on his return visited the school, at the invitation of Principal Bishop. The principal presided and, after the singing of "Coronation," and prayer by Rev. A. H. Webb of Northfield, introduced Bishop Ninde. The bishop is a benevolent-looking elderly gentleman of commanding presence, with a pleasant, kindly face and most engaging manner. He is an old and experienced educator, and his remarks were more in the line of an earnest, practical talk upon the subject of education than a formal address. Dr. Ninde, previous to his election as bishop, was principal of the Garrett Biblical Institute and acting president of the Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill. The bishop recounted with evident pleasure several experiences of his own student life, and described the struggles for an education, and placed him in a position to sympathize with and respect the young men and women who are obliged to work their way through college. He then gave some practical advice, growing out of his own experience. "School life was to be valued, because it was productive of strong and lasting friendships with noble and cultured men. He would advise every student to prolong his school life as long as possible, and to leave school as long as you can." In illustration of the evil effects of crowding through a course of study in less time than the prescribed four years the bishop cited his own case and declared that he had wrought an injury to his health by so doing. "Twenty years' work in one, from which he had never fully recovered. In regard to the popular tendency to 'rush' everything, education included, and neglect sound culture in the scramble for a degree, the bishop maintained that nothing was lost to a man in spending a proper amount of time in careful preparation for his life-work. The training in the school and college gives a breadth of view and intellectual refinement which will prove an inestimable value in later years. The precise details of text-book knowledge may be forgotten, but something will remain. The mind has become saturated with culture. The student has become a member of the great body of letters and has acquired a sympathy with all intellectual workers. The fibre, flavor and essence of his educational training remain. The bishop warned the students against the great prevailing interest in the time-loose thinking. He urged them to seek accuracy of scholarship and be fixed and decided in their beliefs. Bishop Ninde maintained that the natural tendency of education was to improve morals. The truly intellectual person is he who always thinks the best thoughts on a subject. Even the governmental schools of India, in which religion is not taught, are doing much to undermine heathenism and prepare the way for Christianity. The world is more indebted to intellectual culture than it thinks. But the best education is not only moral, but promotes religion, and he was glad to learn that upward of three-fourths of the more than two hundred students in the school were Christians. He closed with an earnest appeal to all to become Christian students and to give themselves to the uplifting of humanity. At the close of the address the bishop was given a reception by the students. He was among those present were Revs. H. A.